

SENATE BILL 2007
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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33;
Title 37; Title 38; Title 49; Title 55; Title 63 and
Title 68, relative to inhalants.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. The title of this act is, and may be cited as "Ricky and Johnson's Law".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 10, is amended by
adding the following as a new section:

49-6-1014

The state board of education shall set curriculum requirements for grades
kindergarten through twelve (K-12) that require students to be educated
concerning inhalant abuse.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 24, Part 1, is amended by
adding the following as a new section:

68-24-107

Every facility or program regulated pursuant to this chapter shall provide
education, counseling and treatment concerning abuse of inhalants when it is
appropriate.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 24, Part 6, is amended by
adding the following as a new section:

68-24-610

Every counselor licensed pursuant to this part shall have received training
that includes an appropriate element concerning abuse of inhalants. The board

of alcohol and drug abuse counselors shall set reasonable requirements for such element, including continuing education by rule.

SECTION 5 Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 11, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

68-11-259

(a) Every facility operated for the provision of alcohol and drug prevention and/or treatment services licensed pursuant to this chapter shall provide education, counseling and treatment concerning abuse of inhalants when it is appropriate as determined by rule promulgated by the board for licensing health care facilities.

(b) Intake or assessment forms used by facilities operated for the provision of alcohol and drug prevention and/or treatment services shall include elements that appropriately address the abuse of inhalants.

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-10-108, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(h) Reports filed or made in all accident and death scene investigations involving motor vehicles under this section shall address the presence or absence of evidence indicating the incident may have involved inhalant abuse.

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-10-403(c)(1), is amended by inserting the language “a counseling and treatment program concerning abuse of inhalants,” between the language “DUI school,” and “and/or drug offender “.

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38, Chapter 8, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

38-8-118

Police officers filing reports in all death scene investigations shall address the presence or absence of evidence indicating whether the incident may have involved inhalant abuse.

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-10-401(a)(1), is amended by inserting the language "inhalant producing intoxicating or stimulating effects on the central nervous system," between the language "narcotic drug, " and "or drug producing ".

SECTION 10. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.